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Outline Safer Christmas Tree Practices

In accordance with Sec. 22, Chapt. 83, RS, 1944, the following directive in use of Christmas trees is published.

Year after year the question arises as to the fire hazard of Christmas trees and decorations. Christmas trees and decorations are responsible each year for fires, many of which are avoidable if simple precautions are taken. The flammability of the trees used is well known and considerable thought has been given to the question of rendering them less easily ignited. The idea is more or less prevalent that Christmas trees may be rendered flameproof by a treatment of application of chemicals or by standing the trees in solutions containing flameproof chemicals.

It has been found that trees which have stood in some flameproofing chemical solutions showed less resistance to ignition and dried, faded and lost their needles sooner than similar trees which had not stood in any liquid.

It also has been found that trees which have stood in plain water retain resistance to ignition by small flames longer and remain flexible for a greater time than either dry trees or trees treated with some flameproofing chemicals.

There are available various fire-retardant coatings and chemical solutions that may be used that will, to some degree, retard flame spread when applied to Christmas trees. Their application may result in the loss of the natural color of the foliage which also often becomes dry. Some coatings are of the transparent type. The coatings may be applied either by dipping or by spray. In some instances the application requires some professional skill and equipment. On the other hand, however, the general application of flameproofing materials by an individual may be done either proficiently or in an amateurish, inept manner. Because of this, it is difficult to know what degree of fire-retardance is obtained following such flameproofing treatments.

Unless the approval of chemicals and the treatment processes are under strict supervision of fire authorities, the effectiveness of such flame-retardant treatment may be questionable.

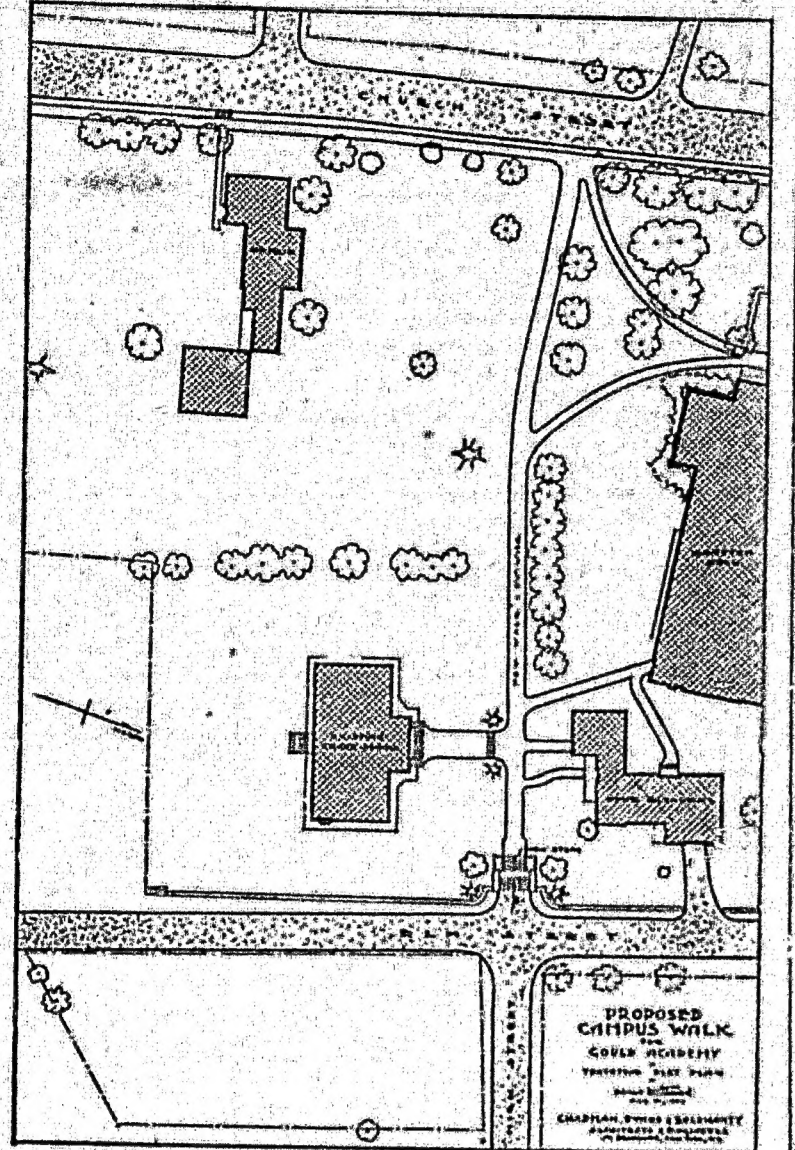
Although experiments with various materials of known fire-retarding possibilities fail to disclose a chemical superior to water, it is not impossible, of course, that suitable methods of effectively flameproofing Christmas trees may be developed. But for the present, at least, persons who so treat their Christmas trees to render them flameproof should use all the ordinary precautions to prevent ignition and should not depend too much on the effectiveness of these processes.

It is strongly recommended that, even though a flameproofing solution has been applied, the Christmas tree also be kept, while indoors, in a tub or reservoir containing plain water, additional water to be added as needed to keep the bottom of the trunk immersed.

Obtain a fresh tree which has been stored outdoors and keep outdoors until actually needed. Cut off the end of the trunk diagonally at least one inch above the original cut end. Stand the tree, at once in a container of water, keep in a cool location and sprinkle the branches frequently until brought into the house for trimming. Trees stands are available with a reservoir in which the trunk may be set. Lengthwise saw cuts in the base of the trunk will also help the tree to absorb water. Be sure the tree is well supported and so located as to be away from fireplaces, radiators, heating stoves, radio and television sets, or other

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Proposed Change at High Street Intersection



At a special town meeting to be held at Bethel on Thursday, December 17, at 8:00 o'clock at Odeon Hall to consider the matter of a town manager form of government. There is also another article, namely, No. 5 "To see if the town will vote to close High Street, from Church Street to Elm Street to vehicular traffic."

The reason for action on this article at this time is to settle at

least one item as soon as possible in a series of many questions before the Trustees of Gould Academy concerning the future plans for use of the old Grammar School. The accompanying sketch is one proposal, among others, which is under consideration although there has been no definite commitment made as yet, either concerning the walk or the use of the building, as this article is basic to all plans.

BETHEL LIONS CLUB HOLDS 25th ANNIVERSARY BANQUET

Seventy-eight persons gathered at the Androscoggin Valley Country Club in Gorham, N. H., Tuesday evening, at a banquet and dance celebrating the 25th anniversary of Charter Night of the Bethel Lions Club.

The Call to Order by King Lion Clifford Hillier was followed by the singing of "America" and pledge of allegiance to the flag. The Invocation was given by Lion J Russell Graham, following which the Lions and their guests enjoyed a delicious steak dinner. Community singing was led by Lion David Thompson, with E Ward Steady, of Berlin, at the piano.

After the banquet, words of welcome were read by the King Lion, who turned the meeting over to the toastmaster, Lion Dale Thurston, who introduced the guests.

Lion Clifford E Shipley of Portland, Maine, District Governor of 41-A1, awarded 25-year charter member certificates and chevrons to Henry Boyker, Dr. E Linwood Brown, Thomas I Brown, Clayton Fossett, Dr S S Greenleaf and Hugh Thurston, who were the honor guests of the evening.

The principal address was by Lion E Daniel Johnson, of Melrose, Mass., International Director of Lions, who gave a most interesting and enlightening report on "Lions in Action" around the world.

Those attending from out-of-town were: Mr and Mrs E Daniel Johnson, Melrose, Mass.; Mr and Mrs Clayton E Shipley, Portland; Mr and Mrs Tony Pratt of Mechanic Falls; Mr and Mrs Clarence Stearns, Mechanic Falls; Mr and Mrs Andrew Malanguy, Mr and Mrs Peter Malanguy, Mr and Mrs Rene Malanguy, Berlin, N. H.

A cow moose was seen Sunday afternoon by Mrs Edith Eysper, son George near their home at Middle Intervale.

The Week in Oxford County

Edward Chaney, alias Perry O'Neil of Hebron pleaded not guilty to a charge of kidnapping in Norway municipal court. Probable cause was found. Unable to provide the bonds of \$20,000 he was committed to Oxford County Jail, South Paris. According to officials Chaney lured a seven-year-old girl, Sharon Dixon, from a school in Hebron.

Rev Theodore A Travin has taken up his duties as pastor of the Advent Christian Church of Oxford. He had held pastorates in New Brunswick, New York, and Farmington, N. H.

J Edward Hooper, 55, of West Paris, was fatally injured when his car left the road and overturned on Route 25 in Woodstock Saturday evening. He was employed by I W Andrews and Son. He leaves a wife, Lucille Andrews Hooper, and five step-children, also three brothers.

The janitor of the Abbott School in Mexico discovered on Saturday that the building had been broken into recently. Over \$50 was missing from a desk drawer. Officers were still investigating on Tuesday.

EXTENSION ASSOCIATION DAY GROUP PLANS 1954 PROGRAM

The Extension Association Day Group met at the home of Mrs Iola Forbes Dec. 16. The following are officers for the year, 1954: Chairman, Mrs Grace Buck; Assistant Chairman, Mrs Edna Smith; Secretary and Treasurer, Mrs Iola Forbes; Clothing, Mrs George Haines; Foods, Mrs Blanche Bennett; Home Management, Mrs Nellie Hodsdon.

The following program was planned for the year, 1954: Jan. 26, Color in the Home, Mrs Ruth DeCoteau, H. D. A.

Feb. 17, Fashion Accessories, Mrs George Haines, Clothing Leader.

March 14, Vegetable Varieties, Mrs Blanche Bennett, Foods Leader.

April 21, Housework Makes You Young, Mrs Nellie Hodsdon, Home Management.

May 27, Fabric Facts, Mrs Ruth DeCoteau, H. D. A.

June 16, Aprons—Apron Patterns, Mrs George Haines, Clothing Leader.

July or August—picnic at Cole's Camp, Locke Mills.

Sept. 15, Pictures and Picture Framing, Mrs Nellie Hodsdon, Home Management.

Oct. 8, Your Breakfast, Mrs Ruth DeCoteau, H. D. A.

Oct. 27, Know Your Neighbor, Outside speaker.

Nov. 17, Election of officers. Decorative Bitches, Xmas Suggestions. Mrs George Haines, Clothing.

Dec. 12, Planning meeting, Xmas tree.

After the meeting, gifts were exchanged.

STORK SHOWER MONDAY EVE HONORS MRS. LOWELL

Mrs Frank Lowell was given a surprise stork shower Monday evening by Mrs Wallace Saunders and Mrs Robert Billings at the Saunders home. Game prizes were won by Mrs Robert Mills and Mrs Albert Saucier.

Smoky Blaze Threatens Young Home

Extensive damage occurred in the home of Mr and Mrs Richard Young on Main Street Wednesday morning when fire which started in the living room wall near a Franklin stove spread through several walls and ceilings. The firemen, who were called by the alarm about 5:45 were handicapped by dense smoke but made quick progress in their fight. The amount of the loss is not estimated.

Mr Young, who was awakened by the smoke aroused Mrs Young and children, Pamela and Donald, and called the fire alarm. The family is now living in another apartment at the rear of the building.

NATIVITY SCENE

Once more good citizenship and public spirit is demonstrated by the local American Legion. With their sponsorship an impressive outdoor manger scene is displayed on upper Main Street. George Taylor and Roderick McMillin built the stable and yard and placed an evergreen thatch and floodlights. With the snow covering this is a fine setting for the doves and haloed angel.

Plywood for the manger figures was given by Ernest Blake, and George and Faye Taylor made and painted them. The entire arrangement is sacred and charming at this holy season and passing cars slow and Christmas shoppers pause in appreciation.

"YESTERDAY AND TODAY" BY ERMA THURSTON YOUNG APPEARS THIS WEEK END

Long awaited publication of "Yesterday and Today," written by Mrs Erma Young of Bethel, will become a fact the last of the week. The author will receive the first few copies in time for the Christmas season and her friends, here and elsewhere, are awaiting the event with high expectations. The book will be on sale soon in stores but autographed copies may be obtained from Mrs Young by the first of the week.

Here is a charming book, full of delightful reminiscences of other days when the author was growing up in the rugged mountain foothills of Oxford County. It is the story of Erma Thurston Young and her ancestry, a true story of people who actually lived and were the gentle folk of an era when the "horse and buggy" were a way of life.

Erma Thurston Young was born and reared in the town of Newry. Both her parents were descendants of New England's pioneer stock. Her pride in her ancestry prompted the writing of this book which is full of the rich recollections of her childhood, told with a sense of humor.

DIAL PHONES COMING TO LOCKE MILLS—WEST BETHEL

The order was placed this week by the Van Tel. & Tel. Co. for dial equipment for subscribers at Locke Mills and West Bethel. Installation of these services is planned during the coming year. This is a step toward a complete change to the dial system which will take several years for completion, although the company's expansion work for some time has been planned with this system in mind.

SKI CLUB SEEKING FUNDS

The Bethel Ski and Outing Club will canvass the town starting Friday, Dec. 18, for funds to continue operation of their tow for the coming year. Lack of snow during the past year, especially last year, has prevented the club from collecting enough fees to pay expenses. Rather than have a membership drive it was thought more feasible to have a pledge campaign as many non-skiers will want to aid in this very worthy project. The tow fees have always been kept low in comparison with what is charged on other tow so that more local people will benefit.

This year some of the younger skiers will be out seeking pledges and in turn will be rewarded with free tow privileges—10 pledges will entitle them to free skiing each Saturday and 20 pledges will give them tow privileges Saturday and Sunday. A suitable prize will also be awarded to the individual securing the most pledges.

Mr and Mrs Ernest Perkins and family have moved to the W F Clark house on Mason Street, which they recently purchased.

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MRS. FLORENCE FARWELL

Mrs Florence Nutting Farwell, wife of Olando B Farwell of East Bethel, died Sunday morning at the Central Maine General Hospital in Lewiston, where she had been a patient for the past ten days.

Born in Perham, Sept. 18, 1890, she was the daughter of James and Emma Horton Nutting. She lived in Bethel since her marriage, 39 years ago, and was a member of Alder River Grange. Surviving is her husband; two sons, Willard of East Bethel; and Malcolm of Hanover; two daughters, Mrs Mary Smith of Lovell; and Mrs Deborah Eldridge of Kensington, Conn.; a brother, Ernest Nutting of Perham; five grandchildren, a niece and a nephew.

Funeral services were held from the Greenleaf funeral home Tuesday at 2 p. m. Rev Charles Pendleton officiating. Burial was at Middle Intervale Cemetery.

C. FRANK RING

C Frank Ring of Locke Mills died at a Portland convalescent home last Friday evening. He was admitted there about three weeks ago.

Born at Greenwood, July 31, 1870, he was the son of Benjamin A and Ann Spaulding Ring. He spent most of his life in Greenwood, except for 12 years at Gorham, N. H.

He was a member of West Paris Lodge IOOF.

An engineer, he worked for the E L Tebbets Spool Company at Locke Mills for 24 years, retiring in 1949.

He was married to the former Florence Bliss in 1906.

Surviving is his widow, Florence Bliss Ring; a step-son, Henry B Walker of Portland; three brothers, Edward of Portland, Colby of Greenwood, and James of Locke Mills; a sister, Mrs Arthur Packard of Portland; several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held from the I W Andrews and Son funeral home Monday at 1 p. m. with Rev Charles Pendleton officiating. Interment at was in Wayside Cemetery, West Paris.

MRS. FANNIE G. NEAL

Mrs Fannie G Neal, widow of Valentine Neal, died Monday at the home of her nephew, Roy Newton, West Bethel, where she has been living the past two years.

She was born at Peru, Feb. 13, 1870, the daughter of Walter S and Abbie Walker Newton. She lived in New Sharon 60 years and was a member of the Peru Baptist Church and New Sharon Grange.

Surviving are a brother, Fred Newton, Rumford, and several nieces and nephews.

GEORGE E. KING

George E King died very suddenly Sunday, Dec. 6, at his home, 88 Vermont St., Springfield, Mass. Born in Bethel Maine, he had made his home in Springfield since 1920. For the past 40 years he was an electrical engineer with the Western Massachusetts Electric Co.

He was a member of Greenfield Lodge of Masons of Greenfield, Sphinx Temple of the Shrine of Hartford, the Musicians' Union, Agawam Rod and Gun Club, Ludlow Country Club and the Squares Club.

He leaves his wife, Mrs Linda (Kling) King; one son, George E King, Jr., of Hoboken, N. J.; one brother, Frederick W of West Palm Beach, Fla.; three sisters, Mrs Ruth Carter of Bethel, Mrs Susan Jarrold of Cincinnati, Ohio, and Mrs Carrie Loring of Yarmouth; and one grand-child.

The funeral was held at Byron's funeral home Wednesday afternoon, Dec. 8, at 1:30 o'clock and burial was in Hillcrest Park Cemetery, Springfield.

Sunset Rebekah Lodge held their annual pot luck supper and Christmas party for the families of members Monday evening at the IOOF Hall.

Mrs Theodore Emery has postponed her plane recall until some time in January, due to the death of her father. Lessons will resume on January 4.

CHRISTMAS DANCE

Saturday Night, Dec. 26

8:30-12:00

William Bingham Gym

MUSIC BY LORD'S ORCHESTRA

Sponsored by G. A. Alumni

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Admission—75c

Tables Reserved at Rosserman's

Bethel Votes on Manager Tonight

The question of adoption of the town manager method of conducting town affairs will come to a head tonight at a special town meeting at 8 o'clock in Odeon Hall. For the past year the matter has been considered by a growing number of citizens. At the suggestion of the Chamber of Commerce there was an article in the warrant for the annual town meeting for appointment of a committee to study the advisability of making the change. This committee will report at tonight's meeting and then voters will make their decision by yes and no ballots.

BRIDE-TO-BE HONORED AT SHOWER

On December 10th a delightful evening was spent at the home of Mrs Charles E Merrill, the occasion being a pre-nuptial shower in honor of Miss Nancy Van Den Kerckhoven, whose marriage to Henry Bourgon of Bucksport, will occur December 27.

Many friends from school, 4-H, musical groups and the church came to wish her happiness.

The bride-to-be, unwrapped the gifts at a table decorated with a white umbrella, overhead hung wedding bells with ribbon streamers. After she expressed her appreciation, a program of games and music arranged by Mrs Earl Davis was enjoyed. Mrs Doris Bryant won the prize for identifying romantic song titles and Mrs Doris Lord the prize for making the most words from "The bride to be."

Refreshments of ice cream, cookies and coffee were served by Mrs Merrill, Mrs Walter Tinker, Mrs Eunice Roy, Miss Eleanor Mason and Miss Judy Van Den Kerckhoven. The guest of honor cut the bridal cake and an added touch to the festivity was a birthday cake in honor of Nancy's mother.

Miss Marlene Anderson had charge of the guest book.

The party ended at a late hour with more wishes of good luck for the bride-elect and thanks to the hostesses for a pleasant evening.

SKI CLUB TO OPERATE FREE SKI SCHOOL DURING VACATION

The Bethel Ski and Outing Club have secured the services of Paul Kelley and Vance Richardson to conduct a ski school during the Christmas vacation. If snow conditions permit the following schedule will be in operation with general skiing following each afternoon class for all participants. The tow will be used for the general skiing and also for the classes when desired.

Any local skier is welcomed and classes will be formed according to ability. Kindly note the schedule and be on time.

10:00 a. m. Monday and Wednesday each week Fundamentals of Jumping and Cross-country technique (Boys only) on Gould Athletic Field.

1:30 p. m. Tuesday and Thursday each week Ski instruction for boys and girls at Bethel Ski Tow.

GILEAD ROY JOINS 25th DIVISION IN GERMANY

Pvt Roger G Coriveau, son of Darle Coriveau of Gilead, recently joined the 25th Infantry Division in Germany. The 25th Division is undergoing intensive training as part of the NATO Army on guard in western Europe. Private Coriveau, a rifleman, entered the Army in May and received basic training at Fort Dix, N. J.

To Friends & Neighbors

My health will not permit me to send my usual Christmas Greetings to all of you, and I take this channel to wish you each and all a very Merry Christmas, and may the New Year hold success, happiness and good health in store for you.

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BRYANT POND

— Mrs. Edith C. Abbott, Corres. —
Woodstock Extension Service

A meeting of the Woodstock Extension Group was held at the home of Mrs. Cleo Billings, Dec. 8, on "Cleaning Rugs and Upholstery." Mrs. Frank Newbegin, of South Paris, was in charge of the project work, and several rugs were cleaned under her instruction. Care of wood surfaces and furniture was also discussed. A potluck dinner was served. Officers were elected as follows: chairman, Sadie Lakeway; Vice - chairman, Esther Dunlap; Secretary and Treasurer, Eva Mills; Foods Leader, Addelynn Mann; Clothing, Cleo Billings; Home Management, Ruth Haskell. Christmas suggestions were given by Mrs. Esther Dunlap. The next meeting will be held with Mrs. Dunlap, Tuesday, Dec. 29, in the afternoon, for planning the year's program.

A. U. W. Meeting

Mrs. Lizzie Russ entertained the Universalist Women's Association at her home Tuesday afternoon, Dec. 8. Plans for the Church School Christmas tree and entertainment were made and work begun on candy bags for the tree. The Christmas sale was very successful and a capacity crowd attended the supper. The Christmas Church School entertainment will be held Dec. 23, at 7:30 p. m. Christmas movies will be shown, following the children's program.

Mrs. Constance Alger, Brookline, Mass., was the guest for a few days recently of Mrs. Addelynn Mann.

Mrs. Fannie Ross plans to go to East Rumford, next week end, to spend the holidays with Mrs. Randall Williams and family.

Members of Fraternal Lodge, K. of P., who attended the third annual meeting of Maine Pythians at Portland City Hall Auditorium Saturday night, were Alden Chase, Norman Mills, George Hayden, Victor Brooks, Chester Bean and Orin Mason.

Miss Helen Johnson, Rockland, was the week end guest of Mrs. Fred M. Cole.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Whitman and family moved last week end to Delphon Howe's house, near the foot of the Lake.

WOODSTOCK HIGH

The Senior Class play, "Gone with the Girls," presented on Dec. 10, was a grand success. During the last act, between the scenes, presents were given to Mrs. Herrick, for coaching; and Jackie Rich and Sandra Martin, for helping the Seniors. We wish to thank everyone for attending.

On Dec. 8 the basketball teams and cheerleaders traveled to West Paris. Both teams were defeated, but are determined to gain "revenge" when we play them next. Here are the scores—Tigers 51—West Paris 58; Tigerettes 39—West

NEWRY

— Mrs. Leon Enman, Corres. —

The 4-H Girls had a Christmas party with their leader, Mrs. Willis Brooke, inviting their parents. The girls demonstrated their projects and Christmas gifts were exchanged. They also served luncheon and played Bingo. The girls made a woven pillow which they will sell and the proceeds will be used for the Wooden Church Crusade. Next meeting will be at Mrs. Robert Davis' on minerals in January.

Week end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Tripp were Norman and Donald Tetley, West Warwick, R. I., and Harlan Scott, Bruno Padewsky, and Miss Norma Dewitt, Hartford, Conn.

Mrs. Henry Lebranch, Portsmouth, N. H., was a week end guest of Mr. and Mrs. Stewart Mincher.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Brooke were in Jefferson, N. H., Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Tripp were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bean.

Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Leon Enman and Mrs. Walter Vail were Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Greenwood and children, Milan, N. H., and Mr. and Mrs. Lee Swan and children, East Bethel.

Correction: Mrs. George Learned instead of Mrs. Henry Learned is in the Rumford hospital.

Paris 41. Our next game will be at Casco on Dec. 21.

On Dec. 18 the high school will have a Christmas program and tree in the afternoon. The public is invited.

The Christmas vacation for this year will be from Dec. 18 to Jan. 4.

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UPTON

— Mrs. C. A. Jenkins, Corres. —

There are several cases of chicken pox in town.

Miss Ruby Enman and girl friend were home from Mexico high school over the week end.

Leslie Fuller is in the Rumford Community Hospital for medical treatment.

Mrs. Katharine Wight and Mrs. Merna Allen went to Rumford on Friday of last week with Mrs. Elsie Douglass to buy the Jenkins' Fund Christmas gifts for the children.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Jenkins attended a birthday supper at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Cousineau in Phillips Thursday of last week in honor of the 90th birthday of her mother, Mrs. Selma J. Sanborn.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert C. Jenkins and family came up from Rumford Sunday for a few hours.

Mr. and Mrs. Horace Goodrum and some of their family were in Colebrook Saturday night.

W. E. Hicks is closing his home and overnight cabins, preparatory to going to Pepin, Wisconsin, because of the serious illness of his father.

Mrs. Mabel Durkee has closed her house for the winter and will visit relatives in Exeter, N. H.

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— Lillian L. Brown, Corres. —

Raynor Brown, Albany road commissioner, has had graveling done on some of the roads which will be a help when mud time arrives. James Lepold of Bridgton spent Thursday at Ernest Brown's.

Minnie White and Evelyn Brown were in Portland shopping Saturday.

Clyde Rowe and sons were in this place Saturday with a new Ford truck which he had recently purchased.

Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Sayward of Portland, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Canwell and daughter Carolyn, Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Jackson and daughter of Oxford, Earl Libby and Fred Wentworth were visitors Sunday at Ernest Brown's.

Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Sayward spent the week end with her parents, the Don Browns.

and vicinity.

The Extension Service meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Jennie Jenkins on Monday, Dec. 14, with all members and one visitor present. The program as outlined by the Chairman was accepted for 1954. A Christmas party was held after dinner.

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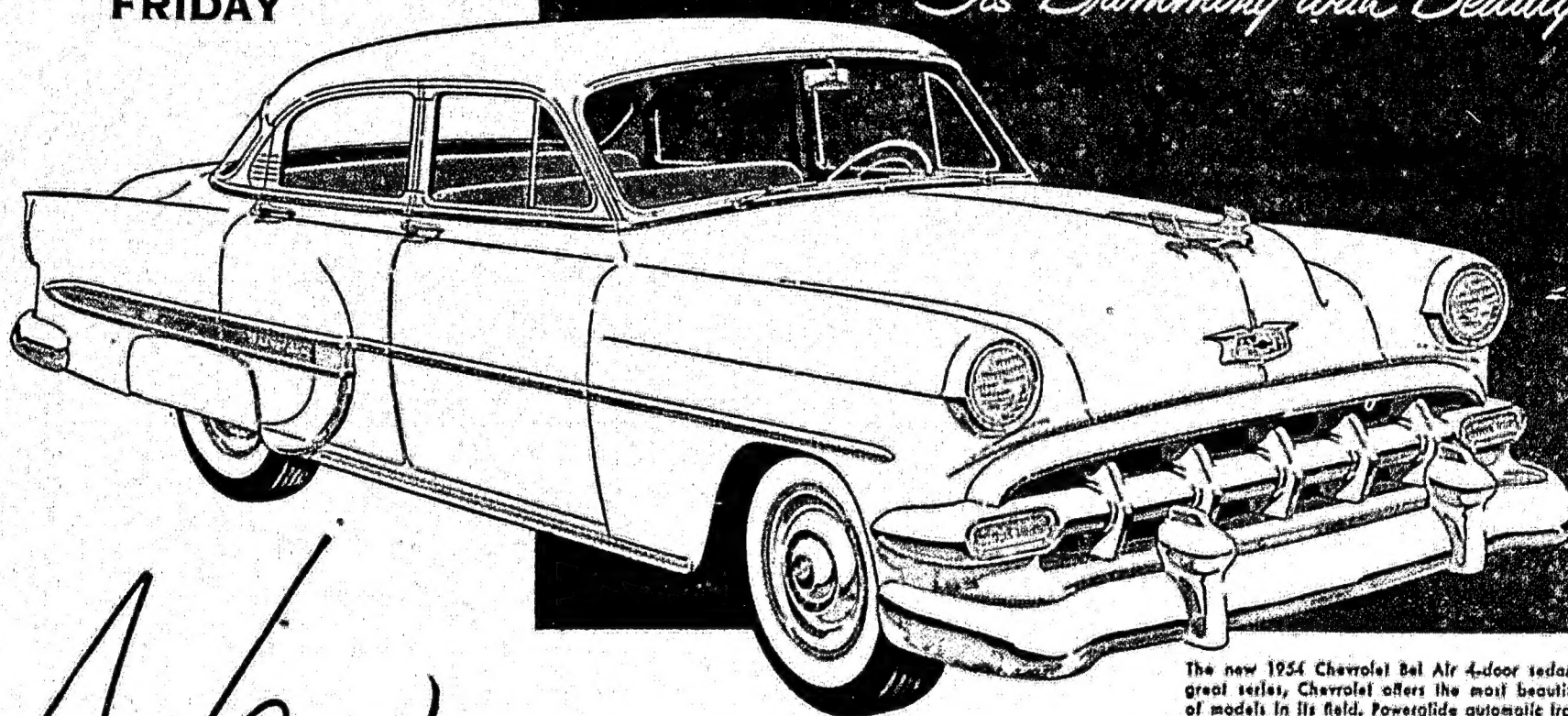
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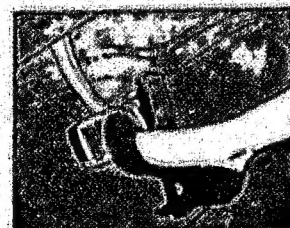
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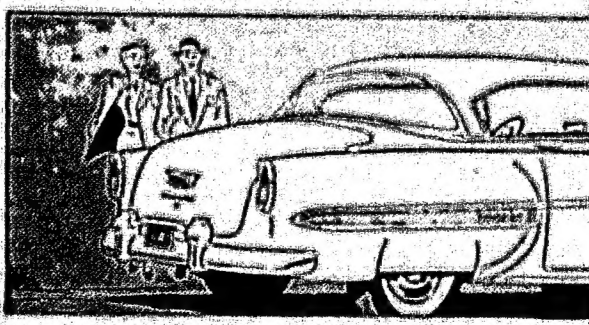
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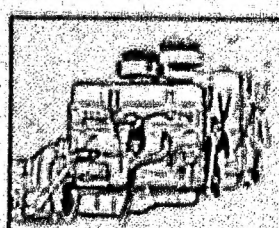
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TODAY'S Meditation

from

The Upper Room

THE WORLD'S MOST WIDELY USED DEVOTIONAL GUIDE

Thursday, December 17

To day if ye will hear his voice, harden not your hearts, as in the provocation, (Hebrews 3:15), Read Matthew 5:1-12.

To celebrate Christmas in 1921, a young deaf woman was urged to drink wine and go to a movie. On her way into the building where the theater was, she saw a large placard with a quotation from the martyr, John Huss: "O Czech Nation, return ye to Christ!" The marble stairway led in either of two directions: on the left, to the movie; on the right, to a former dance hall which had been made into a prayer hall.

She turned right and entered the prayer hall. She listened intently with her hearing aid, poor as it was. Night after night she went back and listened eagerly. Soon she accepted Christ as her personal Saviour.

Now, as a widow, she still faithfully follows Him, never failing to testify and to sing songs of praise to Him for all who will listen.

How many there are today who will not hear because of indifference! All such Christ challenges to gather fruit unto life eternal.

Prayer
O God, our Father, may our hearts be so attuned to Thy will that we may hear Thy voice and feel Thy divine presence. May we be used in Thy service, that others may come to know Thee as their Redeemer. In the name of Jesus we pray. Amen.

Thought For The Day
I will be deaf to evil words and thoughts; I will hear and follow only that which is good.
—Marian Bartak (Czechoslovakia)



Now the things which I write unto you, behold, before God, I lie not. (Galatians 1:20.)

Today our world is under the influence of many men who write and speak words with great skill and persuasion, to deceive and destroy us by leading us from the right and the truth. We cannot escape their voices in our daily lives; therefore we must be careful, and cling steadfastly to faith in the One Great Truth, which is the Word of God, the Bible.

Maine potatoes are an economical, nutritious food that can do a lot both in balancing your food budget, and in providing a versatile vegetable for your meals. Eat more Maine potatoes.

SOCIETY DIRECTORY

Mr. Abram Lodge, No. 81, L. O. O. F. Meets Friday evenings, N. O. Shirley Chase, Secretary, Rodney Hanson.

Runest Rebekah Lodge, No. 81, Meets first and third Monday evenings, N. O. Annie Cotton, Sec. Secretary, Hilka Donahue.

Purity Chapter, No. 102, O. E. S. Meets first Wednesday evenings, W. M. Helen Morton, Secretary, Ethel Blodde.

Pleasant Valley Grange, No. 124, West Bethel, Meets second and fourth Thursdays, Master, Chester Wheeler, Secretary, Lettie Hall, Bethel Chamber of Commerce, Meets first Tuesdays, President, Ralph Young, Secretary, Henry Hastings.

W. B. G. S. Methodist Church, Meets first Thursday afternoons, President, Dorothy Christie, Secretary, Doris Brown.

Blossom Garden Guild, Meets second and fourth Wednesday evenings, President, Margaret Davis, Secretary, Betty Robertson.

Ladies Club, Congregational Church, Meets first and third Thursday afternoons, President, Ferol Codwin, Secretary, Mrs. Maria Nichols.

The Guild, Congregational Church, Meets second and fourth Wednesday evenings, President, Mrs. Leslie Marcuse, Secretary, Mrs. Elizabeth Gilman.

Bethel Lodge, No. 81, F. & A. M. Meets second Thursday evenings, W. M. Walter Tikander, Secretary, Ernest Mundt.

Bethel Lions Club, Meets second and fourth Mondays, President, Clifford Miller, Secretary, J. Russell Graham.

Men's Brotherhood, Methodist Church, Meets last Tuesday evenings, President, Stanley Davis, Secretary, Donald Christie.

Parent Teacher Association, Meets third Tuesday evenings, President, Richard Carter, Secretary, Rita Davis.

CHURCH ACTIVITIES

BETHEL METHODIST CHURCH
Robert A. Carter, Minister
Miss Minnie Wilson, Sunday School Superintendent

Miss Dawnie Christie, Organist
9:45 Church School.
Friday, Dec. 18, at 6:45 p. m. the Methodist Youth Fellowship and the Congregational Church Youth Group will meet in front of the Methodist Church to go caroling.

6:25 p. m. Thursday, Senior choir will meet at the church.

There will be no Junior Choir meeting this Thursday.

On Monday, Dec. 21, the Church School will have a Christmas Party at 7:00 p. m. There will be a Christmas Story told by Rev. Carter, a film-strip of the birth and childhood of Jesus, carol singing and a Christmas Tree party.

WEST PARISH CHURCH
Charles L. Pendleton, Minister
Mrs. John Tebbets, Choir Director
Frank Lee Fjort, Organist

Friday at 6:45 the Pilgrim Fellowship will meet at the Methodist Church to sing Christmas Carols with the Methodist Youth Fellowship.

Services for Sunday, Dec. 20
9:30 Church School.
11:00 Morning Worship. This will be the Christmas Sunday service.

The Sermon: The Shepherds.
Christmas Eve: The annual supper served by the men will be followed by the Church School Christmas program.

BRYANT POND BAPTIST CHURCH
Rev. G. B. Lindahl, Pastor
Friday, Dec. 18:
Rehearsal for the Sunday School Christmas Program in the afternoon at the church.

Sunday School Teachers meeting and decorating for the Christmas Program at the church, 7:00 p. m. Ladies Aid Meeting at the home of Mrs. Frank LaChance. Christmas boxes will be packed at this 7:20 meeting.

Saturday, Dec. 19: Youth for Christ at Norway. A movie entitled "The Great Discovery" will be shown at the Norway Opera House.

Sunday, Dec. 20, Christmas Sunday:
9:15 a. m. Sunday School.
10:30 a. m. Morning Worship Service.

8:15 p. m. Youth Fellowship. Miss Nancy Denney, leader.
7:30 p. m. Evening Worship Service. Carol Singing.

Monday, Dec. 21: Rehearsal for the Sunday School Christmas Program at 2:30 p. m. in the Church.
Tuesday, Dec. 22: Annual Sunday School Christmas Tree and Program at the Church, 7:00 p. m. Everyone invited.

Wednesday, Dec. 23:
Senior Choir rehearsal, 6:30 p. m. Midweek Bible Study, 7:30 p. m. **CHRISTIAN SCIENCE**

The Lesson-Sermon used in all Churches of Christ. Scientific, is available to everyone who desires to study it.

You are cordially invited to attend the services of The Mother Church, The First Church of Christ, Scientist, in Boston, or the service of the branch church or society near you.

Bible selection: "For, lo, he that formeth the mountains, and createth the wind, and declareth unto man what is his thought, that maketh the morning darkness, and treadeth upon the high places of the earth. The Lord, The God of hosts, is his name" (Amos 4:13).

Authorized Christian Science Literature is available in the public library or may be read, borrowed or purchased at my home—Mrs. Irma H. Thompson, Vernon Street, Phone 24.

Speed not, where you may save space not, where you must spend.
—Turk



Rev. Robert H. Harper
The Price of Peace and a Warless World.

Lesson for December 20: Isaiah 2: 2-4; 9: 2, 3-7; Luke 21: 8-14.
Golden Text: Isaiah 9: 6.

On this last Sunday before Christmas Day, we consider some passages from Isaiah and one from Luke. So confident is the great Isaiah about the events of which he writes that in some place he uses the present tense as if the events were actually happening.

But in the first passage, he writes that it "shall come to pass in the latter days" that the Lord's house shall be established. But in the following passages he writes of present fulfillment. Then, in the last passage, he again uses the future and writes of the increase of Christ's government that shall have no end.

We note that he writes first of the establishment of the church which, because of the exalted place ascribed to it, will overtop all the institutions of men and be the mightiest power for good in their affairs. And the influence of the church will be so great that it will bring world peace. Let us, in this time of wars and rumors of wars, strengthen the church as the institution through which we hope to outlaw war and bring peace to the world.

In Luke we read of the blessed fulfillment of prophecy in the coming of Jesus, which was announced by the angel to the shepherds who watched their flocks by night. And the angel was joined by a multitude of the heavenly host, praising God and saying, "Glory be to God in the highest, and on earth peace." In Christ we have the hope of a warless world.

You can prevent a slippery rubber sheet from getting crumpled under the baby by sewing a piece of muslin on each side of the sheeting and tucking the muslin under the mattress.

In May of this year the Turks celebrated the 500th anniversary celebration of their rule over Istanbul, guardian of the Black Sea gateway.

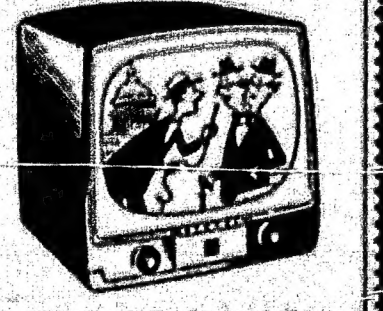
The Kingdom of Jordan is restoring the ruins of Petra, an ancient city carved from the living rock of desert mountains, in the hope of making it one of its major attractions for visitors from the west.

Historic Monticello, crammed by builder Thomas Jefferson with ingenious devices for comfort and convenience, will soon be fitted with two modern facilities—air conditioning and central heating. The 100-year-old showplace is to be renovated from roof to cellar.

How big is the universe? Astronomers are busy recomputing former estimates following discovery of the most far-reaching error man ever made. New measurements show the entire visible universe outside the earth's own galaxy to be twice as far away, twice as old, and eight times as big as science previously thought.



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sources of heat. Keep the room as cool and moist as possible.

Avoid the use of flammable decorations on or near the tree. Toy trains, motors or engines should not be operated under or near the tree. Use only electric lights, and see that all the strings are in good condition and not frayed. Electrical devices such as tree lighting sets, decorative lighting outfits and extension cords which have been inspected and comply with safety standards of Underwriters' Laboratories, Inc., may be identified by tags attached to the conductors or by carton markings.

Do not leave tree lights burning when no one is in the house. From time to time inspect the tree and see whether any of the needles near the lights have started to turn brown, if so change the location of the lights.

If it is desired to keep the tree up for a few days longer, then do not keep the tree lighted for more than a half hour at a time. When the needles start falling, take the tree down and discard it.

If any decorations are used about the house, do not permit them to be around or near chairs and other places where people may smoke. It is preferable to have them near the ceiling, well above the head of anyone standing up.

If lights are desired in windows, never use candles; keep curtains and other flammable material pulled back at least 6 inches from any light.

In hotels, churches, hospitals, convalescent homes, boarding homes, child boarding homes and other places of assembly, and in hallways of offices, the location of the Christmas tree is of vital importance. They should not be located near any stairway or elevator which would provide an upward draft. They should not be near entrance doors or other

erwise block exits; in offices they should not be in such a position as to block exit from that office. It is very essential that all doors leading to other parts of the building, particularly to upstairs, if located close to a Christmas tree, be normally kept closed. An inspection should be definitely scheduled each morning by someone of authority to determine whether the tree should be left up for a longer time, and whether

it shall be lighted again. Remember, a small tree can be as beautiful as a large one but less hazardous.

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20 TURN OUT FOR MEETING AT CLARE THURSTON. Dairy Feeding discussed by Norway Vo-ag students from High School agriculture the direction of Good quality hay essential to the production economy. Thurston says he grows all the good hay he can eat and sell to meet his requirements. Martin Wiley, of ed out the good feed allage that he is in trench alle.

Dairymen were given grain feeding guide ed out that a difference 4 lbs. of extra grain necessary when producing relatively poor hay. Many of the feeding Maine's high-scoring testants were reviewed that grass silage in popularity.

Mrs. Thurston and Brown served refreshments, doughnuts, bread, milk, and new 4-H club room. Mrs. Thurston have the room is finished with facilities refreshments.

Every member of Extension Association receives a family a the "Maine Farmer" magazine, 1 statewide news and a series of educational phases of farm making, each county news.

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20 TURN OUT FOR BARN MEETING AT CLAIRE THURSTON'S, NORWAY Dairy Feeding Practices were discussed by Norway farmers and V-o-ag students from the Norway High School agricultural class under the direction of Jerre Hacker. Good quality hay and silage are essential to the cow if she is to produce economically. Claire Thurston says he plans to give a cow all the good hay and silage she can eat and sufficient grain to meet her requirements to maintain good body weight.

Martin Wiley, of Oxford, pointed out the good features of grass silage that he is using from his trench silo.

Dairymen were provided with a grain feeding guide which pointed out that a difference of at least 4 lbs. of extra grain per day is necessary when poor silage and relatively poor hay is used. A summary of the feeding practices by Maine's high-scoring pasture contestants were reviewed. It was found that grass silage is gaining in popularity.

Mrs. Thurston and Mrs. Merle Brown served refreshments of fresh doughnuts, cookies, sweet bread, milk, and coffee in the new 4-H club rooms that Mr. and Mrs. Thurston have just completed. The room is finished out in knotty pine with facilities for snacks and refreshments.

Every member of the County Extension Associations in Maine receives a family subscription to the "Maine Farmer and Home-maker" magazine. In addition to statewide news and information and a series of columns on various phases of farming and home-making, each county has a page of news.

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HAPPY HERDSMEN

On December 9, 1953, the Happy Herdsmen met at the Legion Rooms. Our leader Harold Bennett took us over to his home. We had our meeting and then we judged cattle. The meeting was called to order by the President, Jane Smith. Fourteen members were present. We had two visitors: Edmund Smith and Dana Bean. We gave the Flag Salute and the Club Pledge. The Secretary's and Treasurer's reports were read and accepted. We received an invitation to visit the Rumford Center Club, Dec. 11. We voted to have refreshments and games for the next meeting. The meeting was adjourned. -Eleanor Lord, Secretary.

BOY SCOUT REPORT

The meeting on Thursday evening, Dec. 10, was opened by Dana Bean with the Scout Laws and Oath. There were 23 boys present. We then sang "I Saw Mommy Kissing Santa Claus." Some boys paid the following year's registration fee. Dues were collected. While some boys worked on their second class map reading test the others played a game of Wiz-Buzz. Gary Haggan won a nickel for winning the game. Two boys passed the second class compass test. Then we decided that we will have a Christmas party. We then played two games of Gossip, a game of Snatch the Bacon, and sang B-I-N-G-O GO BINGO. Buddy Conner closed the meeting with the Scout Benediction. Robert Harlow, Scout Executive, from Norway was our guest. -Donald Christie, Scribe.

GOOD START FOR MAINE 4-H

Maine 4-H club youngsters are off to a good start for 1954. Young people between the ages of 10 and 21 have enrolled in 3,837 projects in agriculture and homemaking. This total is expected to go well over 8,000 by June of next year. All young people interested in "learning to do by doing" in agriculture or homemaking while making the best better" are welcome to join 4-H. They should contact local 4-H leaders or the 4-H club agent at the nearest county Extension Service office.



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THE AMERICAN WAY

HOW TO STOP WASTE

by Dr. Alfred P. Haake

(Editor's Note: Alfred P. Haake, Ph.D., Chairman of the Laymen's National Committee, is a noted economist, author and lecturer.)

We know that government spending and waste are dire threats to the life of our nation. Lenin, and Stalin after him, confidently expected to see the United States destroyed through her own spending, inflation and ultimate exhaustion of resources. And it was not an idle hope, for we have gone far down the road toward governmental insolvency and ultimate dictatorship.

That was the reason why the Republican party platform of 1952 promised reduction of government spending, to stop inflation and to reduce the enormous federal debt. That promise won hundreds of thousands of votes for General Eisenhower, including votes of Democrats as well as Republicans. The victorious Republican Administration, heir to the leftovers and spending commitments of the Truman Administration, continued in some directions. The promised and hoped-for reduction of spending did not materialize, although valiant efforts were made to cut

down or entirely eliminate some of the less justifiable expenditures or commitments.

Close to the end of the recently terminated session of Congress, came a request to raise the debt limit from the present \$275 billion to \$290 billion. It appeared that the falling-off in certain revenues as well as continuing high cost of government would force the Administration to borrow several billion dollars and go over the present debt limit.

The House of Representatives acceded to the President's wishes and approved the increase. Then, and I am among those who are grateful, the committee of the Senate refused to approve the request and let the Congress adjourn without raising the debt limit.

This action, or rather failure to act, left the President with several alternatives.

He could call a special session of Congress to raise the debt limit, which might be exceedingly unpopular and even fail of its purpose.

He could use special powers at his disposal.

He could do the eminently sensible thing of cutting the cost of government.

According to press dispatches the President decided to cut the cost of government. On August 11 he

sent letters to the heads of all departments and principal agencies, warning them that it is "absolutely essential" that they produce progressive reductions in their spending for the remainder of the present fiscal year.

Thus, the President, with "renewed vigor," has ordered that government expenses be cut, in the hope that the resulting economies will relieve him of the necessity of calling a special session of Congress.

That is encouraging, but it is more significant than that. For the President has placed his finger on exactly the answer to the question of how we can stop the wild spending and growth of power in Washington that ultimately spell socialism and communism.

The answer is simple. It is this: give the administrations less money to spend. Congress can stop the waste and deterioration by refusing to appropriate the money. We can adopt one of the oldest and most effective fiscal principles in the world. It works in private life, it works in business life — it will work in government if administrations have the wisdom and courage to use it.

It is: LIVE ON YOUR INCOME. If we as individuals do not have money to buy everything we want, we do without the less essential things, and through savings of odds and ends, bits here and there that slip so easily through our fingers, we can do a much better job with a given number of dollars.

This writer would undertake to

cut at least ten billion dollars from results with the reduced amount of our Federal budget and get better money left to spend.

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SPORTS FLASHES

The
Sporting
News

by J. G. Taylor Spink



Calls for Curb on Court Olants

Height has become such a dominating factor in basketball that Al Cervi, coach of Syracuse of the National Basketball Association, believes the time has come to limit the number of big men to keep the pro game from being spoiled by the gargantuan.

Under Cervi's proposal, as reported in *The Sporting News*, every player on a team would be classified as to height, with the following limitation on the five permitted on the court at any one time—no more than two 6 feet 6 and over, one between 6-4 and 6-5 and the other two under 6-4.

Since each team would "fit" in the matter of height, individual skill would return to the game, Cervi asserts.

The coach, who as one of the pro league's "little men" at 5-11½ before retiring to the side lines this year, said there would be a lot more action, under his plan, "because the little man is faster, you'll have a faster game and there'll be more play-making."

Have you entered the Football Bowl Contest?

This and That

The Phillies, who have been waiting patiently, but without success, for the stadium expected of Willie Jones, plan to hit the third baseman where it will hurt the most—in the paycheck. "I'm going to wake him up or else," President Bob Carpenter said, as reported by *The Sporting News*.

"He's going to get a cut that will knock his hat off. And if that doesn't wake him up, we'll have to give up on him."...The Yankees, who have been trying to land another pitcher in a trade, can get one in a simple way, Dan Daniel suggests in *The Sporting News*. He said that an extra \$10,000 might induce Johnny Sain to give up his plans to retire and return to the Bombers for another season.

Robin Roberts, the ace right-hander of the Phillies, labels Soly Hemus of the Cardinals, and not any of the top sluggers, as the player who gave him the most trouble last season. Hemus, incidentally, may wind up eventually with some other club in a trade for a pitcher, now that the Cardinals have acquired all-star fielding Alex Grammas from the Redlegs.

Manager Fred Hutchinson of the Tigers has settled on his coaching assignments for next season, with Schoolboy Rowe at first base and Johnny Hopp at third. Bob Swift will continue in the bullpen and Hult's will be a bench manager. "I figure I can learn more staying on the bench," the Tiger pilot said.

That Something Extra That Makes Stars

Writes Oscar Ruhl in his "Ruhl Book" in *The Sporting News*: All great athletes—champions and near champions—excel in one department of their sport to put them head and shoulders above the rest. They develop that something extra. In baseball, Walter Johnson had a magnificent fast ball; Grover Cleveland Alexander had a marvelous curve; Christy Mathewson developed an unkillable fade-away; Carl Hubbell possessed a

EAST BETHEL

—Mrs. David S. Foster, Corres.—

During the big wind last Thursday and Friday telephone service was disrupted for several hours by branches on the lines. A big hackmatack tree in the yard of Mrs. Marjorie Billings was blown over onto the house and made several holes in the roofing and dislodged bricks from the chimney. The house was unoccupied as Mrs. Billings is residing in Bryant Pond during the winter.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Swan and children visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leon Enman, in Newry Sunday.

The Women's Extension Group will meet on Monday evening, Dec. 21, at the home of Mrs. Marguerite Bartlett at 7:30. This is a planning meeting and a Christmas party and all are urged to attend to discuss what projects to take up next year. Each member will please bring a 25 cent gift to exchange. Alder River Grange, No. 145, will have a Christmas party at their next meeting on Dec. 28.

Each member is asked to bring a gift to exchange and either popcorn or candy. Let's have a good attendance.

Friends of Mrs. Florence Farwell were saddened by her recent death. A good neighbor, friend and Granger, she will be greatly missed by all who knew her. Our greatest sympathy is extended to her family.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Swan of Dixfield were guests of Mrs. Ida Dick this week end.

The Lucky Clover 4-H Club will hold a Christmas party and Parents' Day on Sunday, Dec. 20, at the Grange Hall.

Earl Nutting of Caribou visited Orville Farwell and family this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Allen of Andover and Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Coffin and Jeanne of South Paris were bewildering screwball; Babe Ruth hit home runs; Ty Cobb drew the headlines because of his daring viciousness on the bases....In golf, Bobby Jones stood out because of his magnificent putting; Slammin' Sammy Snead got his nickname because of his tremendous driving; Walter Hagen was superlative because of his ability to get out of trouble....In football, Otto Graham, Bob Waterfield and others excelled in passing, Lou Groza placed his name above the rest by his great kicking....Don Hutson of the Green Bay Packers made a name for himself in pass-catching....In basketball, George Mikan, Joe Fulks, Bob Cousy and Neil Johnson thrust their heads above the mob because of their mastery of one particular bit of talent. Fulks became a sensation and led the league for several years because of his famous "floater," Mikan because of his pivot, Arizin with his jump shot, Johnson his one-handed "hook," and Cousy his unparalleled dribbling....More? If you want to be a star, specialize.

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SUNDAY RIVER

—Mrs. R. M. Fleet, Corres.—

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Williamson and children, Dwight and Dean, were Sunday callers at his uncle's, the Earl Williamson's, and others.

Mr. and Mrs. Keith Foster were in town from Rumford Friday.

Charles Frost called at R. M. Fleet's Sunday.

The Sunday River Sunday School will close Monday, Dec. 21, with a short program and Christmas, until some time in March. The time for the tree will be 7:30 and all parents and friends are welcome.

Those with bad colds the past week were the Earl Williamson's, Roland Fleet and Carolyn Roberts.

Middle Intervale Road

Mary O. Stanley, Corres.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Stanley, Dawn and Warren, were supper guests of their parents, the H. S. Stanleys, Saturday.

Mrs. L. E. Davis went to Falmouth Foreclose Tuesday night to help her daughter, Kathryn, who is ill.

Mrs. Walter Reed's mother and son, Roger Bourne, visited Sunday at Walter Reed's.

Visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jasper Cates included: Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Cummings of North Abington, Mass., Mrs. Janis Tetrault and children, Jimmie, Paula, Robert and Mrs. Jennie Hamby (Whitman).

"Democracy depends for its very survival on an informed electorate and in all cases our school system must be the anvil on which our future citizenship is forged."

—Earl Bunting, NAM Managing Director.

Mr. and Mrs. George Gamble and Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Kimball of Lewiston were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hastings Tuesday.

Warren Hastings tied for first place in pole vaulting (beating his own record) and won second in the discus throwing in the Freshman matches at the University of Maine.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Howard of North Rumford and Mr. and Mrs. Freeman Merrill and Harley Merrill of Harrison were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Al Curtis this week.

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Entries must be received by THE SPORTING NEWS CONTEST EDITOR, P. O. Box 11, St. Louis 3, Mo., by noon of December 31, 1953.

Prizes will be awarded to the 11 winning teams and to the team that gains the most yardage by rushing and passing.

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RECIPE OF T

Spiced M
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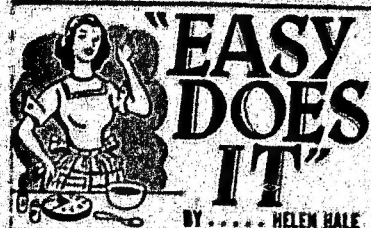
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EASY DOES IT

BY HELEN HALE

FOOD for the holidays can wear a festive air almost as easily as a plain one and with so little effort. Your family deserves a bit of extra attention in this department, so try these tips:

Pop some cranberry jelly into muffle pans after you've poured in about two tablespoons of batter. Add remaining batter to fill the cups two-thirds full. A nice red surprise when they bite into the muffins.

If you have some candied fruits left over from fruit cake making.

RECIPE OF THE WEEK

Spiced Nuts
 1/2 cup cold water
 1 egg white, slightly beaten
 1/4 cup sugar
 1/4 teaspoon salt
 1/4 teaspoon cinnamon
 1/4 teaspoon cloves
 1/4 teaspoon allspice
 1 cup walnut halves
 1 cup pecan halves

Mix together water and egg white. Dissolve sugar in egg white mixture. Add spices and salt, mixing well. Dip nuts in this mixture, then place them flat side down on a greased cookie sheet. Bake in a very slow (250°) oven until golden brown; about one hour.

cut these fine and drop them into the quick coffee cake batter for a festive hot breakfast bread.

Molded vanilla pudding does nicely with a garnish of thawed quick-frozen red raspberries because it's a simple dessert and also in keeping with the holiday theme.

When you have folks dropping in to help decorate the tree, serve a dip made of equal parts of cream cheese, requart cheese and shredded dried beef. Mugs of hot chocolate with a dash of spice on the whipped cream will be welcome.

Keep a jar of holiday cookies handy so they may be served with easily prepared packaged puddings or fruit-in-season for lunch and dinner desserts.

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LOCKE MILLS

— Mrs. Mary Mills, Corres. —

The Sunday School program and Christmas tree will be held on Sunday evening at 7:30 o'clock. The program is as follows:

Prelude—Christmas Carols
 Nesta Gordon, organist
 Congregational Hymn
 Scripture Raymond Swan
 Prayer Blaine Mills
 Merry Christmas to You
 Christine Stevens
 Sing a Song Tabitha Bachelier
 My Lord Florence Stevens
 A Christmas Present Linda Tripp
 Richard Wright

Away in a Manger
 Sunday School Song
 Poem Gary Mason
 Thank Jesus Dickie Cross
 Go Find Jesus

Albert and Delbert Mason
 Vocal Solo—Silent Night
 Helvi Ruokolainen

Beneath Our Tree Alfred Hebert
 Organ Solo, arrangement of two
 Christmas Melodies

Only a Baby Sheila Hebert
 C is for Christmas: Billy Swan,
 Ellean Dunham, James Childs,
 Marilyn Bailey, Gilbert Bailey,
 Glendon Kimball, Sharon Bach-
 older, Barbara Marlin, Annie
 Cross, Duane Gordon

Too Little Kathy Dunham
 The Star and the Child
 Meredith Ring

The King's Birthday
 Patricia Mason
 A Christmas Song Was Born
 Cynthia Hicks, Neva Cross

Song—Joy to the World
 Junior Class
 Poem Junior Hebert

The Arrest Allen Ring
 Vocal Duet—One Starry Night
 Raymond Swan, Nesta Gordon

The Blessed Little One
 Helvi Ruokolainen

Trimming the Tree of Life: Mer-
 edith Ring, Virginia Mason, Ken-
 neth Ring, Allen Ring, Owen
 Melville, Carolee Porter, Jimmy
 Bennett, Walter Bailey

Song—Merry Christmas to You
 Sunday School

Join Us in Our Prayers: Phyllis Kim-
 ball, Helvi Ruokolainen, Stephen
 Swan, Dwight Mills, Juanita
 Childs, Mildred Tripp

Congregational Hymn
 Postlude followed by Santa Claus
 and Tree.

The school will close Friday for
 the Christmas vacation of two
 weeks. Each room will have a
 Christmas party.

The Women's Fellowship met
 with Mrs. Arthur Pfaudler Wed-
 nesday afternoon.

George William, employee at the
 E. L. Tebbets mill, has moved to
 the house owned by Kendrick Scrib-
 ner on the East Bethel road.

Many from here attended the
 funeral service for Frank Ring at
 Andrews' funeral home at South
 Woodstock on Monday afternoon.

Blaine Mills, while attempting
 to cut a Christmas tree Sunday
 morning, fractured a bone in his
 wrist. He will not be able to attend
 his classes at Gould Academy this
 week.

ALBANY HUNT'S CORNER—

—AND VICINITY—

— Mrs. Anne Bumpus, Corres. —

There was another good attend-
 ance at church Sunday morning;
 about 40, including the girls' choir,
 which we are very glad to wel-
 come to our service each Sunday.

Round Mountain Grange, No.
 162, met at their hall Monday ev-
 ening, Dec. 7, with 11 members
 and two visitors present. The
 literary program was as follows:
 Opening Song, "Joy to the World"

Grange

The observance of Christmas in
 Other Countries was read by the
 members:

England, Sister Anne Bumpus
 Norway and Sweden,
 Denmark, Sister Hugh Stearns
 Germany, Sister Leah Deegan
 Italy, Sister Hazel Wardwell
 France and Switzerland,
 Sister Edith Stearns

Russia, Sister Melba Hall
 Belgium, Sister Mary Mills
 Austria, Sister Amy Bunker

Reading by Sister Amy Bunker for
 Brother Harlan Bumpus who for-
 got his glasses

Closing Song, "Silent Night."

Remarks by Brother and Sister
 Sturtevant of South Paris Grange

Christmas gifts were exchanged
 and refreshments of candy, pop-
 corn, and popcorn balls were en-
 joyed after the meeting.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Frost of
 Fryeburg spent the week end with
 Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Leighton and
 family.

Wednesday evening callers of
 Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Dyer and fam-
 ily were Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth
 Proctor and two girls from Bridg-
 ton, Fred Pierce, Wyman Pierce
 and grandson from Casco.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Andrews and
 Mrs. Bertha Andrews were in Rum-
 ford Thursday.

Phil Bradford was a caller at
 Alfred Leighton's Saturday.

The young people had a surprise
 party for Kenneth Bumpus at the
 Town House Thursday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Tuman were
 in Boston one day last week.

Sunday callers of Mr. and Mrs.

EXTENSION LEADERS MEET

FOR PROGRAM PLANNING

Extension leaders, representing
 the groups in this area of Oxford
 County, met with Mrs. Ruth DeCo-
 teau, Home Demonstration Agent,
 this past week for a session of
 program planning for 1954. Mrs.
 DeCoteau presented an eye opener
 to be used for the planning meeting
 and discussed duties and respon-
 sibilities of the chairman; pro-
 jects for 1954 program were ex-
 plained; and dates given for train-
 ing classes and Home Demonstra-
 tion Agent meetings for 1954. Pro-
 gram planning outlines were giv-
 en for each group, these to be used
 as a guide for chairmen.

Present from this area were:
 Miss Mabel Abbott, East Bethel;
 George Haines, Bethel; Florence
 Hastings, East Bethel; Marjorie
 Cummings, North Rumford; Grace
 Buck, Bethel; Mary Vall, Newry;
 Dalese Warren, North Rumford;
 Mae Goodrum, Upton; Beatrice
 Judkins, Upton; Abbie Brown,
 Bethel (evening group); Esther L.
 Dunlap, Woodstock; Blanche Ben-
 nett, Bethel; Eva Mills, Wood-
 stock.

L. J. Andrews were Mr. and Mrs.
 Albert Keniston, Mr. and Mrs. Earl-
 on Keniston and daughter Lione,
 and Lucy Leighton.

Mrs. Sarah Andrews and Mrs.
 Althea Inman called at Harlan
 Bumpus' Wednesday afternoon.

Mrs. Laura Pinkham is spending
 a few days with her sister, Mrs.
 Edith Stearns, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Tuman and
 sons, Andy and Mike, Mrs. Laura
 Pinkham, and Ben Inman were
 Saturday supper guests of Mr. and
 Mrs. Hugh Stearns and family.

WEST BETHEL

— Mrs. Ruth Gilbert, Corres. —

School Notes

During the first 13 weeks of
 school the following had a perfect
 attendance record: Daniel Grover,
 Laurence Hutchinson, Walter Gro-
 ver, Sheila Gilbert, Trafton West-
 leigh, Mary Burris, Terry Gordon,
 Eugene Westleigh. The week end-
 ing Dec. 11 everybody had 100 per
 cent in Spelling.

Ladies Chapel Aid Society

The Ladies Chapel Aid Society
 met Wednesday with Mrs. Clarence
 Rolfe. A pot luck dinner was serv-
 ed at noon followed by a meeting
 and Christmas tree with exchange
 of gifts.

Those present were Miss Lillian
 Lovejoy, Mrs. Earle Graves, Mrs.
 Roy Newton, Mrs. Franklin Burris,
 Mrs. Herman Bennett, Mrs. Flo-
 rence Westleigh, Mrs. Fred Love-
 joy, Mrs. Freda Korhonen, Mrs.
 Herman Mason, Mrs. Bernard
 Rolfe, Mrs. Ralph Coulombe, Mrs.
 Mary Richardson and Betty Ann
 Fuller.

Pleasant Valley Grange

Pleasant Valley Grange met
 Thursday night with Worthy Mas-
 ter Chester Wheeler in the chair.
 Visitors were present from Alder
 River and Bear River Granges.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Bennett of
 Bethel showed some interesting
 slides. Mrs. Chester Wheeler read
 a Christmas piece.

The next meeting will be Tues-
 day, Dec. 22. There will be a Chris-
 mas tree and exchange of gifts.

Refreshments were served by
 Mrs. Robert Gilbert, Mrs. Chester
 Wheeler and Mrs. George Gilbert.

The refreshment committee for

next meeting is Mrs. Roger Wheel-
 er, Mrs. Norman Hall and Mrs.
 Katherine Bennett.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Gilbert were
 in Lewiston Saturday.

Mrs. Ernest Westleigh and chil-
 dren, Francis and Nora, were in
 Massachusetts the last of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred Sheridan
 and Deborah of Gorham, N. H.,
 called on Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Gil-
 bert and family Thursday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Byron Abbott of
 South Portland called on Mr. and

Mrs. Carroll Abbott Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Walker and
 Diana Walker, were at Western
 Maine Sanatorium, Hebron, Sun-
 day, where Diana had Xrays.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hancock
 were in Berlin, N. H., Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hancock at-
 tended Winthrop Grange at Shel-
 burne Thursday.

Hazen Lowell, who has been con-
 fined by illness, is reported better.

Mrs. Amy Bunker, Mary and Car-
 olyn Mills were callers in town
 Saturday.

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